



Dennis Wayne Maxwell was born on May 15, 1940, in Concrete ND to James & Phyllis Maxwell. Or as my Mother told me, she found me on the front step.

I spent the first 14 years of my life living in Concrete, ND, graduated from the academy of learning there with a diploma from the 8th grade. Then at the age of 14, I moved to Cavalier to further my education.

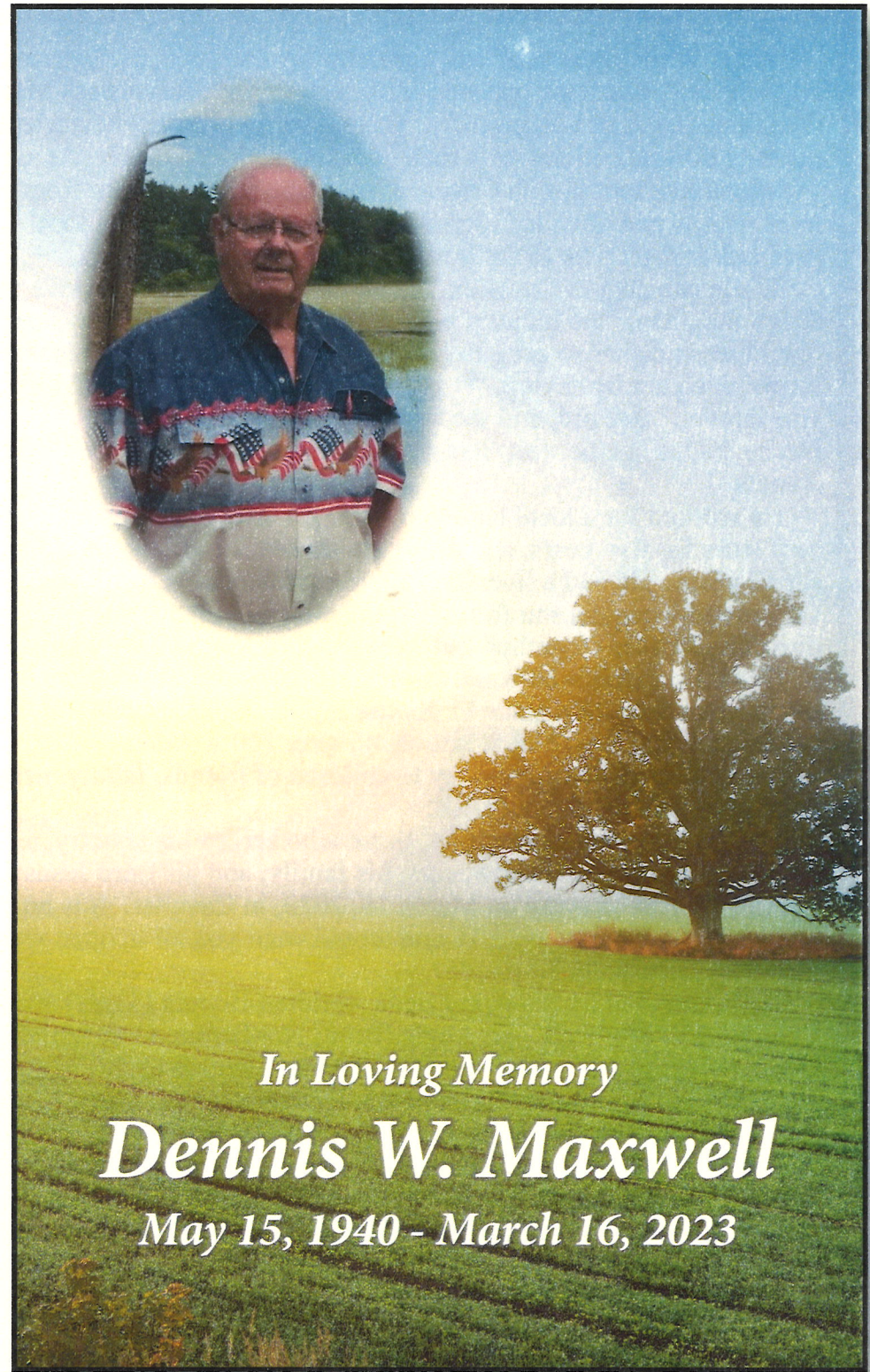
When I was 16 years old, I met a Blonde who caught my eye (Alfrieda Stegman) who I married on June 24, 1960. We had 3 children Brenda, Robert and Angela and 9 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. We were married for 62 years.

I worked for a local hardware store for 5 years, we owned a grocery store for 5 years and later I drove tanker trucks hauling Gasoline for 33 years, retiring in November of 2002.

My interests were Church, friends and family. I enjoyed hobbies which included painting landscapes and making small rocking horses I gave to babies.

I had a good life.

And then I died.



Dennis Wayne Maxwell was born on May 15, 1940, in Concrete, ND, oldest of two sons born to James and Phyllis (Stevenson) Maxwell. Brother Jack was born five years later and was his best friend for over 60 years, along with many cousins he loved dearly. At age 14 his parents sent him to Cavalier, where he rented a room from a local widow and attended high school. He swept floors at a local pool hall and set pins in the bowling alley to earn money.

While working in Cavalier, he met his one and only true love, Alfrida Stegman, "the blonde" waitress in the adjoining cafe where he would wash dishes to get a free meal. The story Frieda tells is that he swooned her by saying, "Bring me a Bubble Up and I will love you forever." She did, and the two married on June 24, 1960, in Neche, ND. Together they had three children, Brenda, Robert, and Angela.

He worked for a local hardware store for five years, owned a grocery store for five years, and drove tanker semi-trucks hauling fuel for 33 years. He had a license to drive anything and could! He was very proud when his son followed suit and enjoyed the miles they drove (and talked) together, before retiring in November 2002.

Dennis was a skilled woodworker and carpenter. In addition to home renovations, he made birdhouse replications (to scale) of homes and churches, and at last count, over 100 wooden rocking horses that he gladly gave away to children of friends, family, neighbors, or anyone who would ask.

Dennis loved his community, those who served his country, a good Western cowboy show, cars, his family, and his Lord Jesus Christ. He passed away on March 16, 2023, in Cavalier. It is no coincidence that he died on 3:16 and would want you all to open your bibles and read John 3:16 today.

He is survived by his wife Frieda, children Brenda (Terry) Ault, Bob (Nancy) Maxwell, and Angie (Brad) Nordstrom. Grandchildren Derek (Wendy) Ault, Brandon (Kelli) Ault, Gavin (Megan) Ault, Andrew Maxwell, Sarah (Brian) Fish, Brandi Veer (Andrew Anderson), Jennifer Maxwell (Chance Hartz), Abigail Nordstrom, Levi Nordstrom, and great-grandchildren who were the apple of his eye: Derek, Avery, Reace, Maggie, Peyton, Leah, Remi, Owen, Sawyer, Jeffrey, Emery and Izabella. Preceding him in death are his parents, father- and mother-in-law, his brother, five brothers-in-law, and many more extended family that he held dear.

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, March 20, 2023 - 11:00 a.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church

Cavalier, North Dakota

CLERGY

Rev. Mark Chepulis

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #770

"How Great Thou Art" #801

"Stand Up , Stand Up for Jesus" #660

Connie Sommer, Organist

CASKET BEARERS

Derek Ault Brandon Ault Gavin Ault

Andrew Maxwell Levi Nordstrom Ben Stegman

Scott Roberts

INTERMENT

Oaklawn Cemetery

Concrete, North Dakota